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SUBJECT: GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR AMBASSADOR

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1. FOLLOWING ARE DRAFT OBJECTIVES AND GOALS MENTIONED REF-
TEL. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS AND SUGGESTED
CHANGES BY SEPTEMBER 6.

2. BEGIN GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:

I. OIL PRODUCTION AND PRICING:

-- ENCOURAGE SAUDIS TO MAINTAIN -- AND EXPAND -- OIL
PRODUCTION AT MODERATE PRICES, CITING THEIR INTEREST IN A
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HEALTHY WORLD ECONOMY.

--WATCH CAREFULLY OVER THE PHYSICAL CONDITIONS AND DOMESTIC
POLITICAL CONSIDERATIONS WHICH MIGHT AFFECT SAUDI OIL PRO-
DUCTION.

-- HELP THE SAUDIS ACHIEVE THEIR DEVELOPMENT GOALS THROUGH

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SUCH MECHANISMS AS THE JOINT ECONOMIC COMMISSION, THEREBY MAXIMIZING THEIR NEED FOR OIL REVENUE.

-- FOR THE SAME REASON, ENCOURAGE THE SAUDIS TO INVEST THEIR SURPLUS FUNDS IN THE U.S. ECONOMY, IN INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND IN THE LESS-DEVELOPED WORLD. DRAW THE SAUDIS INTO INTERNATIONAL LENDING CONSORTIA WHENEVER POSSIBLE.

II. MIDDLE EAST PEACE.

-- CONTINUE TO INVOLVE THE SAUDIS IN ALL ASPECTS OF THE MIDDLE EAST PEACE-MAKING PROCESS, AND TO SEEK THEIR SUPPORT OF U.S. EFFORTS.

-- ENCOURAGE SAUDIS TO MODERATE DEMANDS OF THE CONFRONTATION STATES AND THE PLO, AND IN SPECIFIC INSTANCES TO USE THEIR INFLUENCE TO GAIN ARAB ACCEPTANCE OF COMPROMISES CONTRIBUTING TO A MIDDLE EAST PEACE SETTLEMENT.

-- SEEK TO DEVELOP AN UNDERSTANDING AMONG ISRAEL'S U.S. SUPPORTERS OF SAUDI ARABIA'S MODERATE POLICIES.
-- ENCOURAGE CONTINUED SAUDI POLITICAL AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR MODERATE ARAB REGIMES.

III. EXPORT SALES.
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-- SEEK SAG COOPERATION SO AS TO MINIMIZE THE PROBLEMS ARISING FROM IMPLEMENTATION OF THE U.S. ANTI-BOYCOTT LAW.

-- CONTINUE CAREFULLY SELECTED TRADE PROMOTION ACTIVITIES.

-- SUPPORT JOINT ECONOMIC COMMISSION WORK AS A MEANS OF EXPANDING U.S. ECONOMIC INFLUENCE IN THE KINGDOM.

IV. U.S.-SAUDI DEFENSE RELATIONSHIP.

-- MONITOR OUR MILITARY SUPPLY RELATIONSHIP TO INSURE THAT LEGITIMATE SAUDI DEFENSE NEEDS ARE MET WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF CURRENT ARMS TRANSFER GUIDELINES.

-- ENCOURAGE THE SAUDIS IN THEIR DEFENSE PLANNING TO SEEK ONLY THOSE SYSTEMS WHICH THEY REALLY NEED, AND WHICH THEY CAN MAINTAIN WITH MINIMAL U.S. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.

V. PROMOTION AND PROTECTION OF U.S. CITIZEN INTERESTS.

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-- ENCOURAGE U.S. INSTITUTIONS IMPORTING MANPOWER INTO SAUDI ARABIA TO SELECT, ORIENT, AND OVERSEE PERSONNEL CAREFULLY SO AS TO MINIMIZE THEIR PROBLEMS OF ADJUSTMENT

AND THEIR CONFLICTS WITH SAUDI AUTHORITIES.

-- ASSIST U.S. FIRMS WHERE APPROPRIATE IN THEIR RELATIONS WITH SAUDI AUTHORITIES.

-- SEEK A CONSULAR CONVENTION AS A MEANS OF REGULATING THE STATUS OF OFFICIAL AMERICANS, IMPROVING PROTECTIVE SERVICES TO ARRESTED AMERICANS, AND FACILITATING THE MOVEMENT OF AMERICAN CITIZENS INTO AND OUT OF THE COUNTRY.

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VI. SAUDI ROLE IN THE ARABIAN PENINSULA AND THE THIRD WORLD.

-- COOPERATE WITH THE SAUDIS IN THEIR EFFORTS TO ENCOURAGE STABLE, MODERATE REGIMES IN THE PENINSULA AND THE HORN OF AFRICA.

-- ENCOURAGE THE SAUDIS TO PLAY AN ACTIVE ROLE IN THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES AND IN INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS SO AS TO COUNTERACT THE INFLUENCE OF COMMUNIST AND OTHER RADICAL COUNTRIES.

VII. HUMAN RIGHTS.

-- WITHOUT BEING CONFRONTATIONAL, ENCOURAGE THE SAUDIS TO BRING WOMEN INTO THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL MAINSTREAM OF THE KINGDOM. MONITOR THE VERY CONSIDERABLE PROGRESS ALREADY BEING ACHIEVED IN THIS RESPECT.

-- SIMILARLY ENCOURAGE THE SAUDIS TO MOVE TOWARD ACCEPTING THE CONCEPT OF HABEAS CORPUS AND GENERALLY TREATING CRIMINAL SUSPECTS ACCORDING TO INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS.

-- INFORM THE SAUDIS ABOUT DEFICIENCIES IN THEIR POLICIES, SUCH AS HIGHLY RESTRICTIVE VISA ISSUANCE, AND ENCOURAGE THEM TO ADOPT MORE OPEN POLICIES.

VIII. IMAGE OF SAUDI ARABIA IN THE U.S.

-- THROUGH MEETINGS WITH THE AMERICAN PUBLIC, INTERVIEWS WITH JOURNALISTS, SEEK TO IMPROVE AMERICANS' KNOWLEDGE AND APPRECIATION OF THE IMPORTANCE OF SAUDI ARABIA.

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-- ENCOURAGE VISITS TO SAUDI ARABIA BY U.S. CONGRESSMEN,
SENATORS AND STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES.
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